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Art Unit	2122
Examiner Name	ZHEN, WEI Y.
Attorney Docket Number	42390P0744C2

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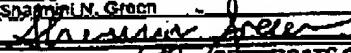
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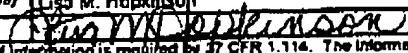
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